

CRIB TO CAREER NORTH CAROLINA'S TRUE WORKFORCE PIPELINE

POLK COUNTY

9.9%
of children
(ages 0-3)
receive early
intervention
or special ed
services

ONLY 67%
of 1st graders
were proficient
in reading

ONLY 63%
of 4th graders
were proficient
by NC EOG*
reading
standards

ONLY 52%
of 8th graders
were proficient
by NC EOG*
reading
standards

ONLY 21%
of 11th graders
met all ACT college &
career readiness
benchmarks

ONLY 41%
of people
(ages 25+)
held a
2-year degree
or higher
in 2015

LOW WAGE JOBS